

-WORK NOTES -

EPA O&M – Meeting #14 April 13th, 2005 Venture Inn



AT A GLANCE

NEXT MEETING: May 11th, 2005; 7:00 am - 9:00 am

Venture Inn - The Cabinet Room (next to the Front Desk)

Actions Needed/Agenda for Next Meeting

Wendy, et.al: Contractor's Meeting

Dan: Title/deed attachment form used by the City of Libby.

Ron: Ongoing stove replacement program update

FROM THE April 13th, 2005 MEETING

Attending

The Operations and Maintenance Team members present: Ron Anderson, Catherine LeCours, Dan Thede, and Charlene Leckrone. Guests: John Podolinsky (State DEQ) and Courtney Zamora (CDM). Facilitator: Sandy Matheny

The Agenda

- 1. Realtor's meeting report
- 2. Johnson acres progress report
- 3. Stove replacement program update
- 4. Title/Deed attachment/agreement used by City of Libby (facility hook-up/future annexation)
- 5. Contractor's meeting agenda/scheduling discussion

1. Realtor's Meeting

Catherine LeCours (State DEQ) and Courtney Zamora and Paul Lammers (CDM) talked with local real estate interests on April 12, 2005 at First National Bank community room. 18 people spent the time clarifying questions and solutions. All generally felt that issues are being addressed by realtors, et.al., and with positive results. It appears that designating the Troy study area has relieved and clarified some concerns as well.

2. Johnson Acres

The project is on schedule and going relatively smoothly. Completion is targeted around the end of July.

3. Stove Replacement Program Update

The March meeting with Hearth, Patio and BBQ Association, local officials and interested people was well received. All participants are optimistic for very positive results. Among the benefits to local retailers will be installation work during phase I, and hopefully retail stove sales during Phase II as well.

Phase I - Implementation plans are in progress for stove replacement. There will be a Stove fair on June 11th where prospective new stove owners can 'shop' for their wood stove replacement. 200-400 change outs (all low income) are planned for this year. It is expected to have 90% completion by Oct. 1st with the rest done by Nov 1st. EPA low income grant guidelines will determine eligibility for participants in this phase (\$100,000 matching grant).

Dec.-Jan will bring a period of evaluation.

Phase II – It is planned to replace around 1000 stoves in the 2nd year. There are also 90-100 active furnaces being considered. Pellet and gas stoves will be available in Phase II.

4. Title/Deed Attachments

The City of Libby has a form signed by owners agreeing that, in return for hook-up to services, they will not protest future annexation. This approach is being considered as a means of deed notation relating to asbestos or vermiculite presence on a property. (I originally misnamed this as 'disclosure' language.)

5. Contractors' Meeting

Environmental training addressing both Superfund and routine regulation compliance information are both needed. John Podolinsky provided the team with an agenda for a session recently provided in Missoula.

Discussions outlined the need to clearly separate Superfund from the routine regulation training offered. It was also observed that it would probably be more efficient and effective to do it all at once, for both contractors and presenters. Plans are underway for a conference within the next couple of months.